IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD

SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION No 1331 of 1997

For Approval and Signature:

Hon'ble MR.JUSTICE N.N.MATHUR

- Whether Reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgements?
- 2. To be referred to the Reporter or not?
- 3. Whether Their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the judgement?
- 4. Whether this case involves a substantial question of law as to the interpretation of the Constitution of India, 1950 of any Order made thereunder?
- 5. Whether it is to be circulated to the Civil Judge?
 1-5 No

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Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT]]

Appearance:

Special Civil Application No. 1331 of 1997
 MR GI DESAI for Petitioners
 GOVERNMENT PLEADER for Respondent No. 1
 RULE SERVED for Respondent No. 2, 3

CORAM : MR.JUSTICE N.N.MATHUR Date of decision: 16/07/98

ORAL JUDGEMENT

The grievance voiced by the petitioners in this Special Civil Application is that they have been invited to the Training Centre established for training/coaching of the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes preparing themselves for appearing at the competitive examination to make their career and they are being paid Rs. 30/- per lecture though in this regard there is Government Resolution dated 10.5.1991 which provides to pay at the rate of Rs. 80/- per lecture. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the District Collector, Vadodara is paying Rs. 80/per lecture as per the Circular dated 10.5.1991, a copy of such letter is placed on record. An affidavit has been filed by Mr. N.C. Zaveri, Dy. Director, Social Welfare Department stated that letter dated 21.8.1996 produced by the petitioner pertains to the Regional Training Centre, Baroda, which is under control of Sardar Patel Institute of Public Administration, Ahmedabad. It is stated that a pre-service training examination for unemployed candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes appointed in various departments of the State Government. Honorary lecturers visited such Centres paid honorarium at Rs. 80/- per lecture and rickshaw fare at Rs. 40/- as per the State Government Resolution dated 27.12.1984 as well as on the instructions contained in Circular dated 21.2.1995 of the Joint Director, Sardar Patel Institute of Public Administration Centre, Ahmedabad. So far as petitioners are concerned, they are being invited for lectures to be imparted to the candidates preparing for competitive examination. The centre is known as `pre-service examination centre'. This is run by Social Welfare Department for the purpose of coaching unemployed youth belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the various competitive examinations. In view of comparison sought by the petitioner this, misconceived.

I am tempted to observe that such honorarium should be offered to the persons who feel dignified when such honourable job is offered to them. It shoud not be offered to such persons who consider this honorarium as wages. In view of this, I find no merit in this Special Civil Application and the same is accordingly rejected. Rule discharged.